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PROPOSED INCREASE IN STATE AID

South Carolina's public library systems may share nearly \$600,000 in state aid funds if a proposal for increased state aid monies is adopted by the General Assembly in its next session.

This program of increased state aid is supported by public library trustees and librarians throughout the state and the money to cover the new program is included in the State Library Board's budget request to the State Budget and Control Board October 20th.

Under the plan, approximately \$596,000 would be distributed to all the state's 46 counties on a per capita basis. Each county's share would be based on \$.25 per resident. These new funds would augment local library support. "In no way are they designed to replace local library funds", according to Miss Jean Galloway, Chairman, Trustee Section, South Carolina Library Association and head of the drive for increased state aid.

The purpose of the increased appropriation is to achieve a higher standard of public library service throughout the state. The new funds, available for books and staff salaries, would be administered by the State Library Board and would not require any increase in state taxes.

Present state aid granted to qualifying county libraries is a fixed \$1,500. This amount was established in 1952 and has not been changed during the intervening years.

Miss Galloway noted that, "additional state-level support is badly needed due to continual increases in book costs and salaries for pro-lessional librarians." Concluding she said, "Present state aid barely covers sales and use tax which public libraries must pay on all purhases including books and equipment."

In addition to Miss Galloway, the following trustees and Friends of the Library attended the hearing and spoke on behalf of the increase: Mrs. Hagood Bostick, Secretary, State Library Board; Mrs. T. O. Lawton, trustee, Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library; Walter Plunkett, Chairman, ABBE Regional Library; Romayne Barnes, trustee, Greenville County Library; Robert Hollings, trustee, Charleston County Library; Arthur Magill, President, Greenville Friends of the Library; and A. T. Graydon, former trustee of the Richland County Library and an advocate of libraries.

Estellene P. Walker, Director, presented the State Library Board's operating budget for 1967-68.

LSCA FUNDED

On October 22, the Senate and the House approved an appropriation of \$76 million to implement the new Library Services and Construction Act. This is a compromise between the \$57.5 million requested in the President's budget of January, 1966, and \$88 million authorized for the expanded LSCA signed July 19, 1966. Under the expanded program funds are available for Interlibrary Cooperation, State Institutional Library Services, and Library Services to the Physically Handicapped, in addition to Public Library Services and Public Library Construction.

The appropriation bill now goes to the President for his signature.

RECRUITING BOOTH AT SOUTHEASTERN

In an effort to assist South Carolina public libraries to fill professional vacancies on their staffs, the State Library Board will have an exhibit at the Southeastern Library Association meeting, October 27-29. Planned and developed as a part of the State Library Board's Library Interpretation Project, the purpose of the exhibit is to let librarians of other states know of job opportunities in South Carolina public libraries and of the advantages of working in this state. Words and pictures call attention to the state's scenic, historic, and recreational attractions, while professional job openings are described in a large illustrated scrapbook and individual packets for distribution.

Libraries using the exhibit to make knowntheir vacancies include Abbeville-Greenwood, Anderson, Beaufort, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Horry, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, and York. Among the librarians who will staff the recruiting booth to tell the South Carolina story are Carrie Gene Ashley and Thelma Murtha of ABBE, Norma Lightsey of York County, Frances Reid and Spartanburg County staff, Sarah Taylor and Chapman Milling of Sumter County, and Estellene Walker, Nancy Blair, Lois Barbare, Charles Busha, and Betty Callaham of the State Library Board. Ronald Copsey of the Leslie Advertising Agency who arranged the exhibit will assist in manning the booth.

SLB EMPLOYS SURVEY TEAM

In order to plan a program for the logical development of branch libraries in the four most populous counties, the State Library Board has secured the services of a husband and wife team to survey Charleston, Greenville, Richland, and Spartanburg counties. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Curley will come to Columbia on November 14 and, after getting an overall picture of the library situation in the state and a briefing on the counties involved, will begin their survey with a study of Greenville and Spartanburg counties.

Mr. Curley, a native of Boston, received his library degree from Simmons and is Director of the Suffolk (N. Y.) Cooperative Library System. He was Chairman of ALA's Committee on Library Insurance when the book "Protecting the Library and its Resources" was prepared.

Mr. Curley's experience and his participation in public library building institutes make him well qualified to undertake the survey.

Mrs. Curley has had experience on the state and regional level. She was on the staff of the Massachusetts Division of Library Extension and the Suffolk (N. Y.) Cooperative Library System. She is Coordinating Editor of the New York Library Association Bulletin and has just been retained by the American Library Association to write a report on a survey of the use of paperback books in public libraries.

REFERENCE WORKSHOP TO BE HELD AT RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

A two-day Reference Services Workshop will be conducted by the State Library Board on November 14-15 in the auditorium of the Richland County Public Library. The workshop will be the fourth in a series of institutes designed to improve the quality of reference service offered by public libraries of South Carolina. Previous workshops were held in Florence for librarians of the Pee Dee area, in Barnwell for librarians of the Savannah River area, and in Greenville for up-state librarians.

Designed specifically for pre-professional librarians, the workshop will feature lectures, demonstrations, discussions, and practical exercises. Instructors will be Charles H. Busha, Reference Consultant, and Maurice Thatcher Paris, Reference Assistant, of the State Library Board staff. They will be assisted by Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, Reference Librarian of the Richland County Public Library.

Librarians from the following midland and north-central counties of the state will participate: Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Lexington, Newberry, Richland, and York.

RUZICKA'S CHANGE IN POLICY

Due to increased clerical costs, Joseph Ruzicka has found it necessary to establish a minimum billing of \$5.00, effective immediately.

UNION LIST OF SERIALS FOR SOUTH CAROLINA'S PUBLIC LIBRARIES NOW AVAILABLE AT STATE LIBRARY BOARD

The Data Processing Department of the General Services Division of South Carolina, utilizing its IBM computer facilities, has produced for the State Library Board a print-out catalog of serials held by public libraries of the state. The large catalog, more than 600 pages in length, is divided into two parts: (1) periodicals arranged by libraries and (2) periodicals arranged by titles. Under each periodical title is indicated the inclusive dates of back holdings, whether a current subscription is maintained, and the guide or index in which each periodical is indexed. The catalog is now maintained in the Reference and Interlibrary Loan Department of the State Library Board. It allows the location of any periodical held by a South Carolina public library.

When completed the catalog will serve as a union list of serials in public and college libraries of the state. Presently, the General Services Division is preparing IBM cards with coded information pertinent to periodicals held by South Carolina colleges and universities. This information was taken from the manuscript of Dr. John H. Moore's Guide to the Research Resources of South Carolina, soon to be published by the University of South Carolina Press. When all IBM cards have been prepared, a complete print-out, combining public library and college and university serial holdings, will be produced.

Public libraries needing information about the availability of holdings in the state of any particular periodical can obtain same by submitting the regular reference request form to the State Library Board's Reference and Interlibrary Loan Department. All requests will be answered promptly.

RECEPTION HONORS NEW SLB STAFF MEMBERS

On October 21, from 4 to 6 p.m., the State Library Board invited professional librarians from the Columbia area to meet three new staff members. Mrs. Angus Macaulay, Chester, and Mrs. Hagood Bostick, Columbia, members of the State Library Board, and Estellene P. Walker received with the staff members: Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Thatcher Paris and Margie Herron.

Approximately 50 librarians attended the reception which was held in the lounge of the Cornell Arms.

Mr. Paris is Reference Assistant, Mrs. Paris, the Cataloger, and Miss Herron, a Field Service: Librarian.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

The week of April 16-22 has been designated for the 1967 observance of National Library Week. Mrs. M. H. Mims, Librarian, Edgefield County Library, is the South Carolina Executive Director for NLW.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SUMTER

The application of the Carnegie Library of Sumter County for a construction grant under Title II, LSCA, is the first local project in South Carolina to be approved. On October 17 the Board of Trustees advertised for bids to be opened on November 22.

With a square footage of 15,814, the building will cost \$461,250, exclusive of the site which was donated. Since the building will be headquarters for the Sumter County Library System which serves a population of approximately 75,000, the library will receive a construction grant of \$100,000 through the State Library Board.

FORMER SLB CHAIRMAN HONORED

Mary E. Frayser, long time member and past chairman of the State Library Board, was honored by the S. C. Division of the American Association of University Women at the annual meeting in Columbia on October 15. Miss Frayser was one of seven women in whose honor gifts of \$500 each were contributed to the national AAUW Fellowship Fund.

INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

The National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act was passed in 1965, and soon thereafter the Governor appointed in South Carolina an Inter-agency Council on the Arts and Humanities of which Mr. Eugene N. Zeigler of Florence is chairman. The Inter-agency Council has employed Mr. Robert Smeltzer to do a survey of the artistic and cultural resources of South Carolina as a basis on which to plan the South Carolina program. Public libraries are to be included in the survey.

Although a statewide meeting on October 28 conflicts with the meeting of the South-eastern Library Association, it is hoped that libraries will be able to send representatives.

The State Library Board will be represented by Maurice Thatcher Paris, reference librarian.

ETV PROGRAM OF INTEREST TO LIBRARIANS AND THEIR PATRONS

Dr. George Curry, Associate Vice-President of the University of South Carolina, has been conducting a Book Review Program in which he discusses both current and classic books. On November 6, 1966, the program moves from 9:30 p.m. Wednesday to 8:00 Sunday night on the South Carolina Educational Television Network.

Dr. Curry has expressed an interest in the book projects of the State Library Board and will devote several programs to them.

There are many other ETV programs which libraries will want to call to the attention of their readers. It is suggested that libraries not now receiving the monthly ETV Guide ask to be placed on the mailing list. Write ETV Program Guide, 2712 Millwood Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina 29205.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

The Colleton County Memorial Library has added the 1800 and 1810 South Carolina Census to its microfilm library.

Elizabeth Moran became Branch Librarian for the Cooper River Memorial Branch of the Charleston County Library on October 1. Miss Moran joined the staff on September 1 after completing requirements for a library degree at LSU under the SLB Scholarship Program.

The Greenville Friends of the Library have prepared an attractive brochure which presents the Purpose of the Friends, Work of the Friends, and How to Become a Friend. Arthur Magill is President of the Greenville organization.

Rachel Ellis, Extension Librarian, Charleston County Library, and Mrs. Phil D. Huff, Laurens County Librarian, went on European tours this summer.

Mr. R. L. Alexander has replaced Mrs.-R. L. Steer as a representative of Greenwood on the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library Board.

An interested group of citizens in <u>Calhoun Falls</u> have obtained quarters and a pledge of maintenance from City Council for a library there. It will be a branch of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library.

The York County Library Board has approved a 1966-67 operating budget which provides for the employment of additional staff and the purchase of a bookmobile.

A folder giving the 1966-67 schedule for Friends of the Library lectures, Library Lectures and Literary Programs, has been prepared by the Greenville County Library.

UNICEF CARDS - A GIFT OF LIFE

For more and more people everywhere UNICEF Greeting Cards have become the means through which they can contribute to the life saving work for which UNICEF received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1965. With the proceeds from one box alone, priced at \$1.25, 50 children can be protected against tuberculosis; two boxes can provide 80 children with a glass of milk every day for a week.

UNICEF cards are not sold commercially and their growing popularity is largely made possible by the help and support of voluntary groups and organizations. Mrs. John T. Bregger, South Carolina Representative for UNICEF, is urging clubs and organizations to help with their sale locally. She suggests that librarians can help promote interest in UNICEF cards by: 1) Displaying posters and exhibiting cards; 2) Display UNICEF Greeting Card brochures and information on where they may be obtained locally; (If there are no local outlets, UNICEF cards may be ordered by mail.) 3) Suggesting names of voluntary groups and organizations that might be interested in helping; 4) Suggesting names of individuals who would be interested in receiving a Greeting Card brochure.

Write Mrs. Bregger at 318 College Avenue, Clemson, South Carolina.

CAROLINIANA

- Fields, Nora Nimmons. The High Falls Story. The Journal Company, Inc., Seneca, S. C. (Order from Mrs. Fields, 208 North Fairplay Street, Seneca, S. C.)
- Kinzer, Betty and Leach, Marion Floyd. What Every Army Wife Should Know. Stack-pole. \$4.95.

(Mrs. Leach is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Floyd of Hampton, S. C. and is a graduate of Women's College, Furman University. Her husband is Col. James H. Leach.)

Rutledge, Archibald. Deep River. Rev. ed. R. L. Bryan Co. \$10.00.

Sirmans, M. Eugene. Colonial South Carolina; a political history, 1663-1763. University of North Carolina Press. \$10.00.

NAMES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Volume 13 of Names in South Carolina, the first place name journal in the United States, has just been published by the Department of English of the University of South Carolina. This is a non-profit, self-supporting publication and is distributed to in-advance subscribers only. A few extra copies of this volume are reserved at back-issue price (\$2.50) for renewing and new subscribers. Copies are also on sale (for \$2.50) at R. L. Bryan Co., S. C. Book Store, and University Book Store, Columbia, South Carolina.

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Make checks payable to Names in South Carolina and send to Editor Claude Henry Neuffer, Names in South Carolina, English Department, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina 29208.

YOUR PROBLEMS by Anne Library

I have a cataloger in my department who is continually causing me a great deal of worry. I have recently taken over as chief of the catalog division, and since a great many of the people in it have been here for many years, I am, of course, at a disadvantage. Last week, I discovered that Miss Jennie, who has been cataloging the rare books for forty years, still had material that she had signed for ten years before. On questioning her revisor, I find that this has been a problem for years. If Miss Jennie does not know what to do with a book that is difficult, she takes it to the stack and hides it. At this point she has over three hundred rare books hidden in the stacks.

Frantic Frances

Dear Frantic Frances:

Since a large amount of money seems to be involved, I feel that the best solution is to hire a detective. He, of course, can be palmed off as another cataloger, which would not be hard to do in your library, and have him follow Miss Jennie around until the books are all found. If you do not have the ready cash for this project, just take it out of the book budget.

Anne Library

OPERATION HEAD START

Mrs. Lutitia T. Anderson has been appointed Head Start regional training officer for South Carolina. Mrs. Anderson, formerly director of the Division of Adult Education, State Department of Education, is now with the College of General Studies, University of South Carolina.

Communities seeking assistance in planning Child Development Centers or in training administrators or staff should communicate with Mrs. Anderson at 1321 Pendleton Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29208.

PUBLICITY POINTER FOR NOVEMBER

Does someone in your community collect something interesting or have an unusual hobby? Perhaps you know a rock-hound or someone who collects seashells. Arrange to borrow part of the collection and make a library display from it with appropriate books on the subject. See if the person will conduct a lecture on his hobby at the library. Then tell your local newspaper and radio stations—you have the makings of a good story!

S. C. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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Registrations should be made by November 10 to S. C. Committee on Children and Youth, P. O. Box 1520, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. Registration and luncheon tickets are \$3.00; membership dues, \$1.00.

SYMPATHY TO

Mrs. Paul Blanks on the death of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Plexico Ambrose. Mrs. Blanks, long time head of the original York County Library, is now a member of the staff of the recently created unified York County Library.

W. H. Nicholson, Jr. on the death of his father, former legislator from Greenwood County. Mr. Nicholson is a member of the Greenwood City and County Library Board.

W. M. Agnew, Donalds, on the death of his sister. Mr. Agnew was one of the founders of the Abbeville County Library and is still a member of the board.

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